# AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1.      (**Currently Amended**) A method for presenting a merged view of remotely installed applications to which a user has terminal server (TS) based access, the method comprising:

sending, by a client computing device, a remote application discovery request to a Remote Application Publishing (RAP) web server;

receiving, by the client computing device, responsive to the request, a discovery response from the RAP web server, the discovery response comprising remote application information aggregated by the RAP web server from multiple sources; and

generating, by the client computing device, based on the discovery response, one or more shortcuts to one or more respective applications to which the user has TS based access, wherein the one or more shortcuts are independent application files that point to-the one or more respective applications to which the user has TS based access, the shortcuts being stored on the client computing device and presented to the user through a user interface (UI) shell executing on the client computing device,

wherein each of the applications to which the user has TS based access are installed at one or more installation points in an Intranet, the client computing device being external to the Intranet,

wherein a RAP wizard is configured to allow the user to specify the
application to be published,[[;]] and

wherein the one or more shortcuts present a merged view to the user of the
applications to which the user has TS based access, the merged view being
transparent of whether the applications to which the user has TS based access are
managed by different information sources across multiple accessor modules on the
Intranet and configured for remote TS-based execution by different ones of
multiple installation points.


2.      (**Previously Presented**) The method of claim 1, wherein the one or
more information sources comprise a directory service, a Systems Management
Server, and/or a personal office computer associated with the user.


3.      (**Previously Presented**) The method of claim 1, wherein the one or
more installation points comprise one or more servers and/or office computers
associated with the user.


4.      (**Previously Presented**) The method of claim 1, wherein the
shortcuts are presented in a desktop of the user.

5.    (**Previously Presented**) The method of claim 1, wherein the shortcuts are presented in an Internet browser window associated with a Web service providing remote application discovery, the Web service being deployed on a Web server in the Intranet and accessible by the client computing device over a public network.

6.    (**Previously Presented**) A tangible computer-readable data storage medium comprising computer-executable instructions for presenting a merged view of remotely installed applications to which a user has terminal server (TS) based access, the computer-executable instructions comprising instructions for:

sending, by a client computing device, a remote application discovery request to a Remote Application Publishing (RAP) web server;

receiving, by the client computing device, responsive to the request, a discovery response from the RAP web server, the discovery response comprising remote application information aggregated by the RAP web server from multiple sources;

generating, by the client computing device, based on the discovery response, one or more shortcuts to one or more respective applications to which the user has TS based access, wherein the one or more shortcuts are independent application files that point to the one or more respective applications to which the user has TS based access, the shortcuts being stored on the client computing

device and presented to the user through a user interface (UI) shell executing on the client computing device, each of the applications to which the user has TS based access being installed at one or more installation points in an Intranet, the client computing device being external to the Intranet; and

wherein the one or more shortcuts present a merged view of the applications to which the user has TS based access, the merged view being transparent of whether the applications to which the user has TS based access are managed by different information sources across multiple accessor modules on the Intranet and configured for remote TS-based execution by different ones of multiple installation points.

7. (**Previously Presented**) The computer-readable medium of claim 6, wherein the one or more information sources comprise a directory service, a Systems Management Server, and/or a personal office computer associated with the user.

8. (**Previously Presented**) The computer-readable medium of claim 6, wherein the one or more installation points comprise one or more servers and/or office computers associated with the user.

9. (**Previously Presented**) The computer-readable medium of claim 6, wherein the shortcuts are presented in a desktop of the user.

10. (**Previously Presented**) The computer-readable medium of claim 6, wherein the shortcuts are presented in an Internet browser window associated with a Web service providing remote application discovery, the Web service being deployed on a Web server in the Intranet and accessible by the client computing device over a public network.

11. (**Previously Presented**) A remote client device comprising:

a processor; and

a memory coupled to the processor, the memory comprising computer-program instructions executable by the processor for presenting a merged view of remotely installed applications to which a user has terminal server (TS) based access, the computer-executable instructions comprising instructions for:

sending, by a client computing device, a remote application discovery request to a Remote Application Publishing (RAP) web server;

receiving, by the client computing device, responsive to the request, a discovery response from the RAP web server, the discovery response comprising remote application information aggregated by the RAP web server from multiple sources;

generating, based on the discovery response, one or more shortcuts to one or more respective applications to which the user has TS based access, wherein the one or more shortcuts are independent application files that point to the one or

more respective applications to which the user has TS based access, the shortcuts being stored on the client computing device and presented to the user through a user interface (UI) shell executing on the client computing device, each of the applications being installed at one or more installation points in an Intranet, the remote client device being external to the Intranet; and

wherein the one or more shortcuts present a merged view of the applications to which the user has TS based access, the merged view being transparent of whether the applications to which the user has TS based access are managed by different information sources across multiple accessor modules on the Intranet and configured for remote TS-based execution by different ones of multiple installation points.

12. **(Previously Presented)** The remote client device of claim 11, wherein the one or more information sources comprise a directory service, a Systems Management Server, and/or a personal office computer associated with the user.

13. **(Previously Presented)** The remote client device of claim 11, wherein the one or more installation points comprise one or more servers and/or office computers associated with the user.

14.     (**Previously Presented**) The remote client device of claim 11, wherein the shortcuts are presented in a desktop of the user.

15.     (**Previously Presented**) The remote client device of claim 11, wherein the shortcuts are presented in an Internet browser window associated with a Web service providing remote application discovery, the Web service being deployed on a Web server in the Intranet and accessible by the remote client device over a public network.

16.     (**Previously Presented**) A remote client device for presenting a merged view of remotely installed applications to which a user has terminal server (TS) based access, the remote client device comprising:

means for sending a remote application discovery request to a Remote Application Publishing (RAP) web server;

means for receiving, responsive to the request, a discovery response from the RAP web server, the discovery response comprising remote application information aggregated by the RAP web server from multiple sources;

means for generating, based on the discovery response, one or more shortcuts to one or more respective applications to which the user has TS based access, wherein the one or more shortcuts are independent application files that point to the one or more respective applications to which the user has TS based access, the shortcuts being stored on the client computing device and presented to

the user through a user interface (UI) shell executing on the client computing device, each of the applications being installed at one or more installation points in an Intranet, the remote client device being external to the Intranet; and

wherein the one or more shortcuts present a merged view of the applications to which the user has TS based access, the merged view being transparent of whether the applications to which the user has TS based access are managed by different information sources across multiple accessor modules on the Intranet and configured for remote TS-based execution by different ones of multiple installation points.

17. **(Previously Presented)** The remote client device of claim 16, wherein the one or more information sources comprise a directory service, a Systems Management Server, and/or a personal office computer associated with the user.

18. **(Previously Presented)** The remote client device of claim 16, wherein the one or more installation points comprise one or more servers and/or office computers associated with the user.

19. **(Previously Presented)** The remote client device of claim 16, wherein the shortcuts are presented in a desktop of the user.

20.    **(Previously Presented)** The remote client device of claim 16, wherein the shortcuts are presented in an Internet browser window associated with a Web service providing remote application discovery, the Web service being deployed on a Web server in the Intranet and accessible by the remote client device over a public network.